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MARGARET CARTER TO SPEAK ON 'THE FUTURE FOR AGING IN OREGON' AT SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE FORUM

- The Deputy Director of the Oregon Department of Human Services Will Address Seniors' Questions and Concerns at the April 17 Event -

BEAVERTON, Oregon (April 12, 2010) – Oregon Department of Human Services Deputy Director Margaret Carter will discuss "The Future for Aging in Oregon" at a special forum hosted by Beaverton's Senior Citizen Advisory Committee (SCAC) on April 17, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Beaverton City Library (12375 SW Fifth Street).

A number of issues affecting senior citizens will be addressed including what state programs exist for the aging population, the new federal Health Care Reform Law, how seniors can improve the health care system and what can be expected in the future. Her remarks will be followed by a question and answer period by a guest panel and the audience.

"This is an exciting opportunity for seniors to hear information about beneficial programs and have their questions answered directly," said Mayor Denny Doyle. "Providing access to resources that seniors need is a top priority. I'd like to thank the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee for taking the initiative and putting this valuable program forward."

Carter spent 25 years in the Oregon Legislature, serving as President Pro Tempore of the Senate, co-chair of the Joint Ways and Means Committee, and as a member of the Health and Human Services Committee. She earned a Master's degree in education from Oregon State University and was a counselor and faculty member at Portland Community College for 27 years. She has also served as President and CEO of the Urban League of Portland. In her capacity as Deputy Director of the Oregon Department of Human Services, Carter oversees the divisions for children, adults and families, seniors and people with disabilities.

For more information about this event or to RSVP, please call the SCAC phone line, at (503) 526-2595.

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